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South Carolina personal injury attorney George Sink Sr. has sued his son, George Sink Jr. (shown), for trademark infringement for opening his own plaintiffs firm, George Sink II Law Firm.

Sink Sr. v. Sink Jr.: Charleston Plaintiffs Lawyer Sues Son Over Law Firm's Name

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SOUTH CAROLINA personal injury attorney George T. Sink named his son after himself—but now he is suing George T. Sink Jr. over their similar law firm names.

Sink Jr. opened George Sink II Law Firm in February, a few days after he was terminated from his father's firm, George Sink, P.A. Injury Lawyers, according to Sink Sr.'s lawsuit in South Carolina federal court.

Sink Sr.'s firm, George Sink, P.A. Injury Lawyers, claims the name of the

new firm infringes on the older firm's trademark and could lead to confusion with clients or on Google searches, according to the April 25 complaint.

Sink Sr. said in the complaint that his firm, George Sink, P.A. Injury Lawyers, is one of the "most recognizable law firms in South Carolina." Since its founding 22 years ago, the firm has grown to 45 lawyers in 13 offices, according to its website, including locations in Savannah and Augusta, Georgia.

Sink Sr. has trademarked "George Sink, P.A. Injury Lawyers" and invested

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Father Sues Son For Using His Own Name — This Is Why People Hate Lawyers

Is it really a trademark problem to open a firm using your own name?

By JOE PATRICE

May 6, 2019 at 12:15 PM



South Carolina attorney George Sink is [suing his own son](#), George Sink Jr., for opening up his own firm and using his own name — the one that George Sink the Elder presumably gave him.

George Sink of George Sink, P.A. Injury Lawyers, used to employ the junior (as in only a couple years out of law school)

George Sink Jr. (as in his name) until earlier this year. There's no explanation for why Sink fired Sink, but when little Sink opened up his new firm, the George Sink II Law Firm, his father sued for trademark infringement, unfair competition, cybersquatting, unfair trade practice, and dilution. You could say Sink's throwing the kitchen sink at Sink, but we won't say that because that's hokey.



This is... not the Sink family. (Image via Getty)

Still, in a profession where entities are expected to be named after their founders, it's not uncommon to have multiple firms sharing names. We survived Morvillo Abramowitz and Morvillo LLP. There are two whole Steptoe and Johnsons! Consumers manage to figure it out and the alternative of forcing attorneys to rename their firms "Super Awesome Esquires" because they happen to have a shared last name seems even worse for misleading the market.

But George Sink's argument runs even deeper than sharing the Sink name:

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George Sink Jr. might be the son's legal name—but it's weird for him to use it, his father alleges.

“To the extent ‘George T. Sink, Jr.’ is Ted Sink's legal name, on information and belief, Ted Sink has throughout his life preferred the use of his middle name and gone by ‘Ted’ or ‘Teddy,’” the suit alleges. It includes pictures of social media where the son goes by “Ted.”

On the one hand, this could read like a guy junking the name he uses in common parlance to horn in on his dad's practice. But it could also be a guy using his formal name in a professional context. Many an attorney business card spells out a whole name like “Billington Blundercott III” right before he introduces himself as “Trey.” George Sink Jr. is the name on his law license after all. As a consumer, it's beneficial to be able to verify the bona fides of “George Sink Jr.” with the state bar than to wonder who “Ted Sink” is.

It's even more murky when you learn that Papa Sink is arguably the one who created the George Sink Jr. brand:

“Furthermore, the elder Sink has referred to his son as “George” in old commercials. One tv commercial, uploaded to YouTube last year shows the father and son standing side by side.

“I’m attorney George Sink,” the elder says, and this is my son.

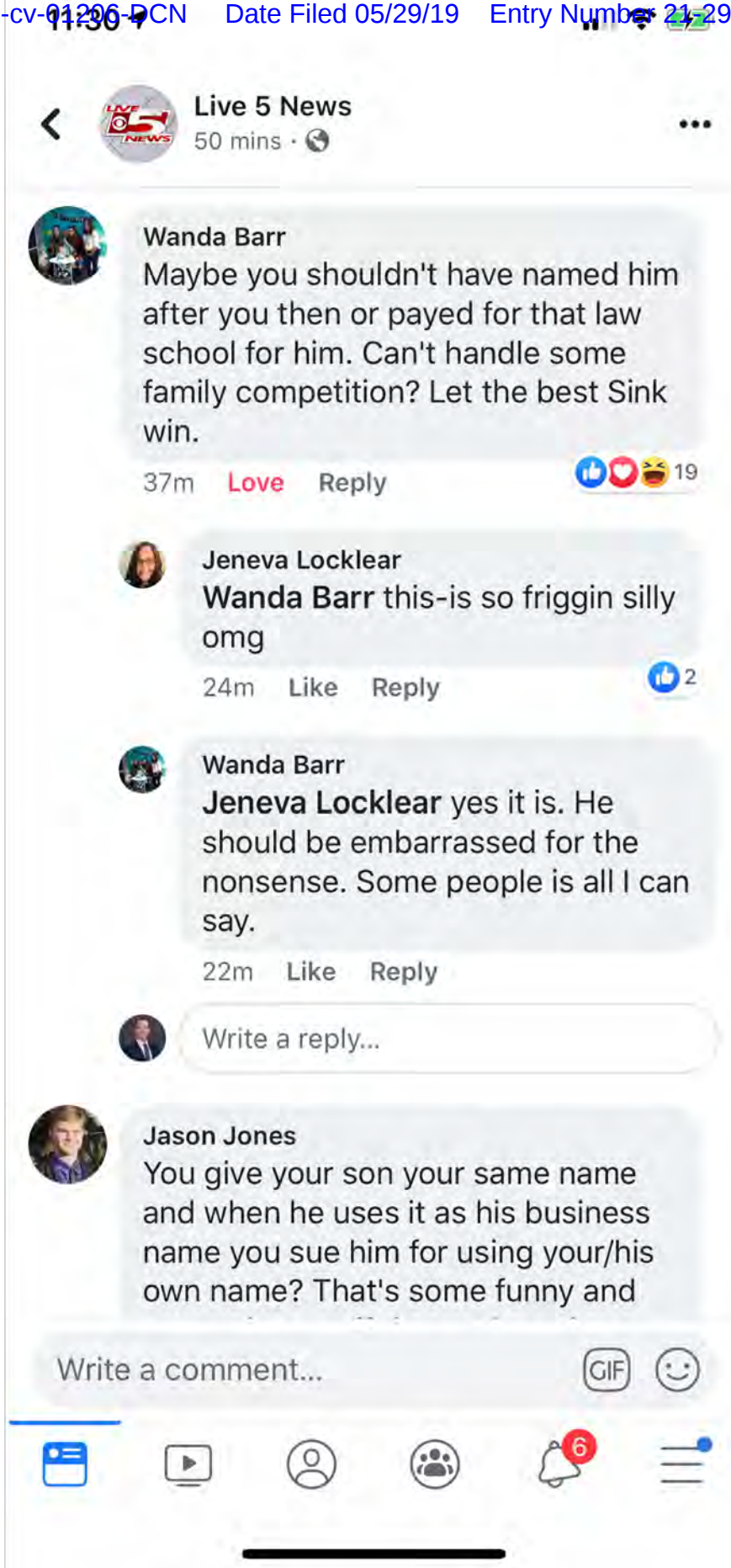
“Attorney George Sink,” the younger introduces himself.

The ad spells their names as “George Sink” and “George Sink Jr.”

Robbing the kid of using the name that you’d encouraged him to professionally trade under for the last couple years seems unfair. One assumes this whole lawsuit is just an effort to force Sink Jr. to the table to change his firm’s name to something more generic. Still, whatever led to the kid getting fired is probably going to militate against his eagerness to deal.

The lesson, of course, is that lawyers should never have children.

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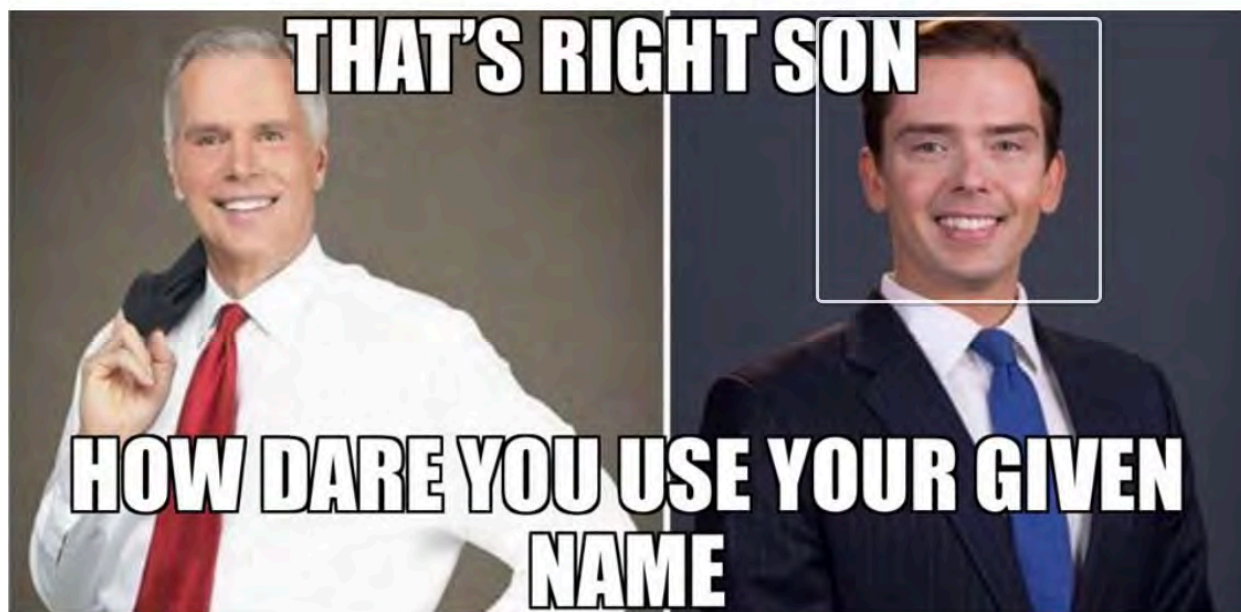




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It's his legal name. Don't make your child a JR if you don't want confusion 🙄



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Mike Bills Entertainment @djmik... · 1d ▾

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If you fire your child, you reap what you sow. Whats sad is he's a former Marine and should not be acting like this.



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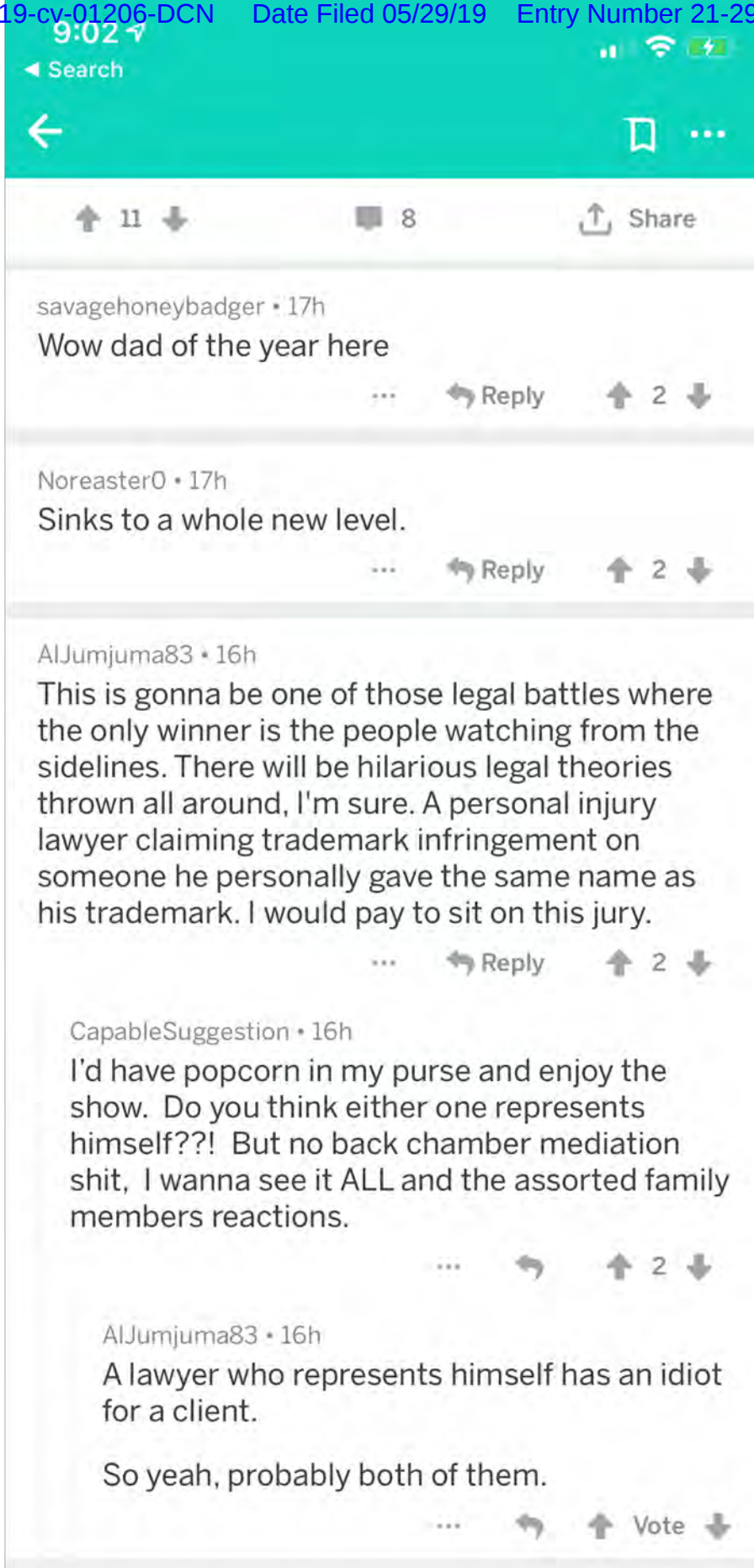


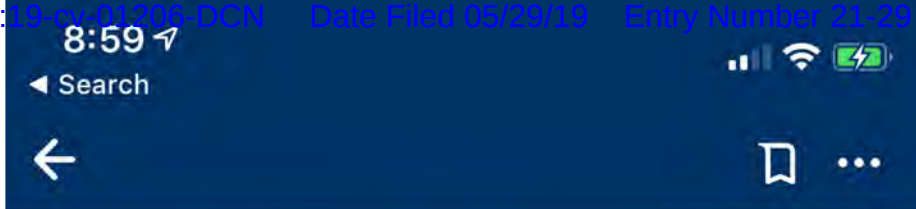
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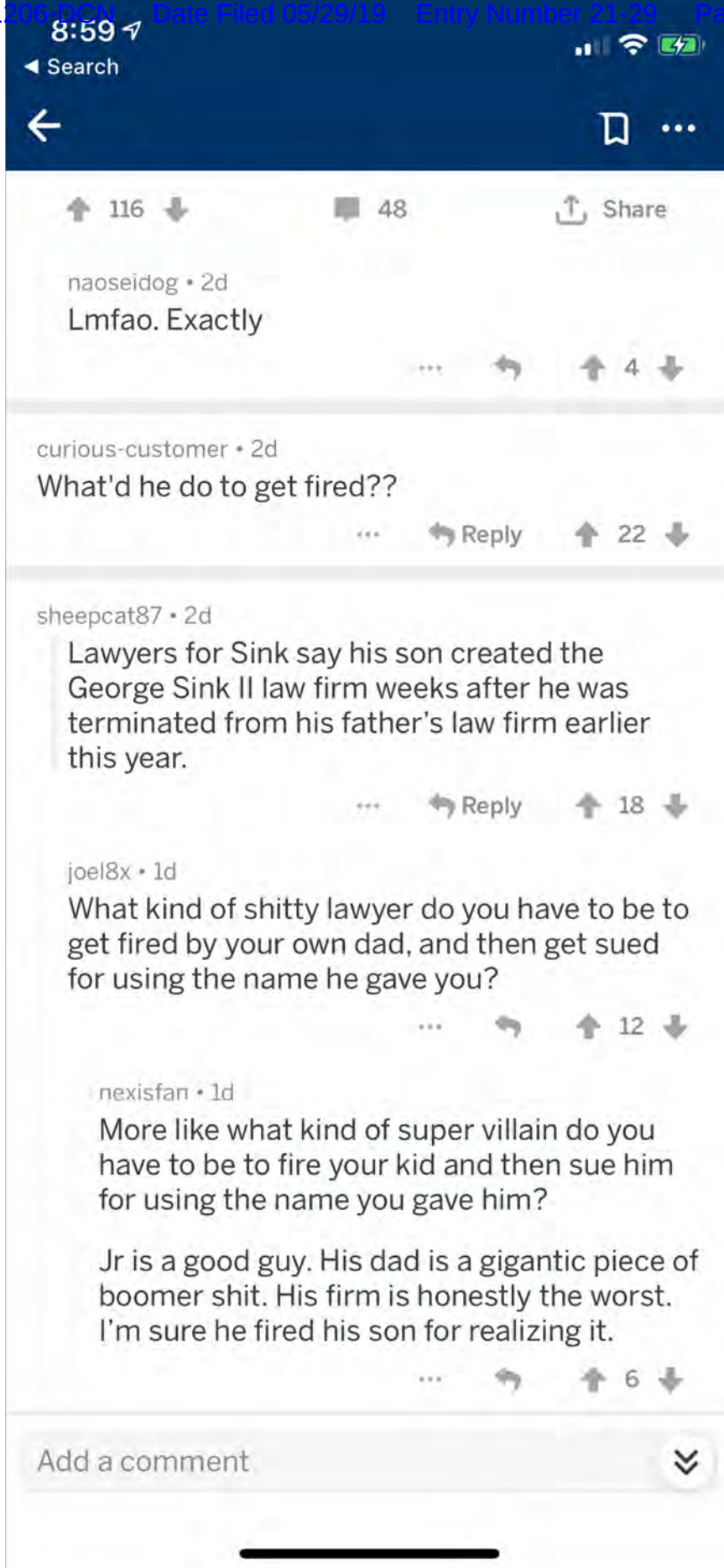
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**Jonathan Farmer**

Friday at 9:57 PM · 🌐

**Ian Dotson**

He clearly stated on his website that he was not George Sink Sr. His father is just doing this out of pure spite and what a sickening thing to do to his own son. I hope he filed a countersuit

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**Chaz Lobo**

I hope Jr. wins on the whole basis that Sr. Gave him his name.

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**Nick Walker Sr.**

Ok so of all the accident/injury lawyers who I'm pretty sure are all kinda slime balls, George was my favorite. His commercials were aight. Now he's dead to me. Akim Anastapoulo you're my #1 now

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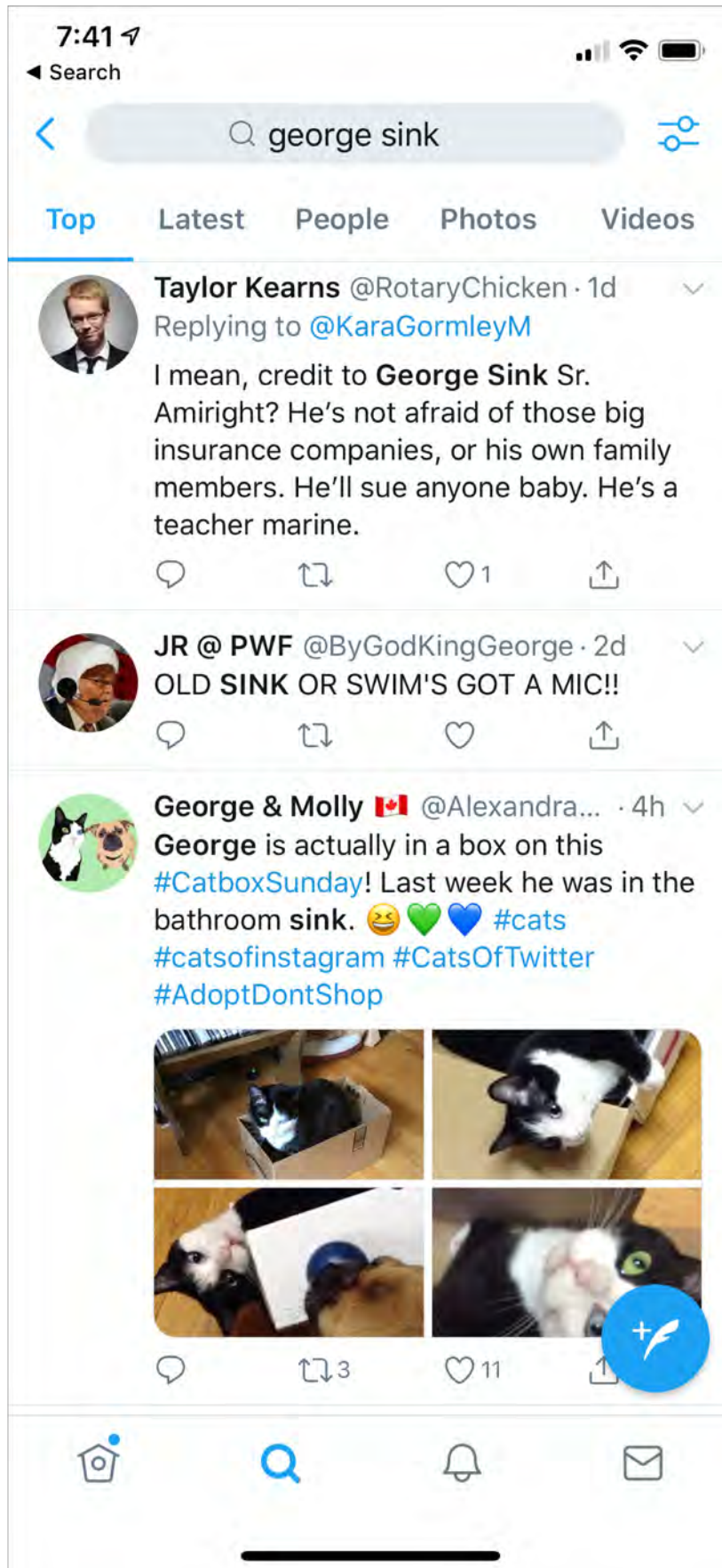
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